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Statement by Chairman Tom Wheeler on Special Access Data Collection

Today, the Wireline Competition Bureau set a December 15 deadline for industry to file data enabling the FCC to assess competition in the market for special access service, an important component of broadband and voice services. Chairman Tom Wheeler issued this statement:

"I am pleased that the FCC will finally get the data it needs to analyze competition in the market for a service that is key to broadband and competitive voice services: special access. After years of careful planning and consultation, the FCC has set a Dec. 15 deadline for providers to submit data about their networks, prices, terms and conditions in this vital market. This data will give us unprecedented insight into the state of competition for a service that is so important for consumers, small businesses, government and community institutions -- and for the economy as a whole."

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